



Notre Dame de la Mer Parish Finance and Progress Report 2019 - 2020

Dear Parishioner,

This week the bulletin contains the annual financial report for 2019-2020. Let me begin by saying...WHAT A YEAR IT WAS! 2019-2020 was shaping up to be a very good year, not just our financial footing, but more importantly, the health of parish life. Attendance and involvement with mass and parish events was so strong. The relative good times, however, came to a screeching halt in Mid-March as our world and nation had the Covid-19 Pandemic thrust upon us. With it came unforeseen damages in the short term and fears regarding the long term. One of the hardest realities to cope with was the inability to meet communally for worship and the need to try to bring as much spirituality to you as we could virtually. We continue to work on this even though we are now able to meet in person.

One of the most important responsibilities of parish administration is the sharing of the financial activity of the parish with you. It is always the goal of parish leadership to be transparent when it comes to the finances of this parish. In the center of this bulletin you will find a report that includes graphics and figures showing the expense and income breakdown for the 2019 - 2020 fiscal year, that is July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020, per the operating budget. Please note that this is not a balance sheet discussing all parish assets and liabilities. The discrepancy that you see in income and expense for 2019 - 2020 can be explained by a decrease in ordinary income from what was budgeted solely due to the Covid -19 Pandemic and the lack of masses that resulted through the spring and early summer. Additionally, a lack of rental income received from the Early Education Program created a shortfall in that budgeted income item. In addition to the expense and income breakdown you will also find a few other bits of information.

As you know, stewardship encompasses much more than the generation of revenue. It is that call to each of us to support our parish in all ways possible. Stewardship draws upon the talents, expertise, and hard work of parishioners. Stewardship is not only a way to give back to the parish, it also is the best way to become involved, to meet people, and to feel a part of our Catholic community. I encourage you to make a commitment to be actively involved in the parish through all three of the following: attending and participating in Mass, providing financial support, and offering time and talent as service to the parish community.

As always, there are maintenance issues that must be addressed, especially in our aging worship spaces. The projects are staggered and our recourses from Catholic Strong, Savings, and Operating are used to address them. We will be establishing a facilities committee to complete some long range assessments of our buildings. This past year and a predictably lean '20 – '21 year will cause a small upgrade schedule outside of the usual fixes.

Our school consolidation is still a work in progress. Wildwood Catholic Academy is a new entity that officially began on July 1, 2020. The school is a mission of our parish. Therefore, it is our responsibility to help it succeed. We have established a new, very involved finance council for the school. They are working on policies and will also be transparent in their accountability moving forward. We continue to need your support and prayers to help us make this PreK – 12 entity, the first in the Diocese of Camden, a success.

In addition to the quantitative data listed here, I gratefully acknowledge the generous efforts of hundreds of parish volunteers, who over the past year, have contributed thousands of hours to support our parish and its various ministries and activities. Our volunteers play a vital role in helping our parish live its mission and help to keep all of the facets of our extremely active parish running smoothly. I would also like to thank the Parish Council and Parish Finance Committee for all of its guidance.

I hope that you have a chance to look over the report in the bulletin and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to come see me.

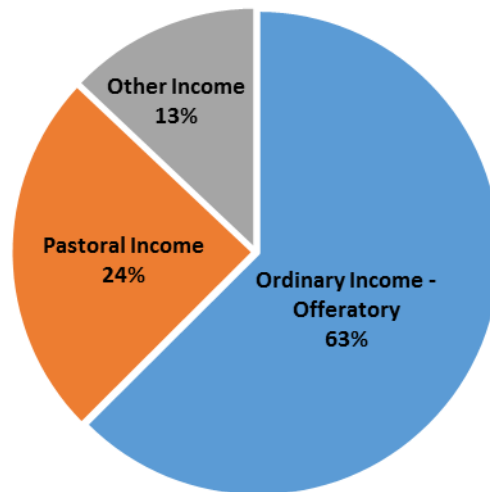
In Christ,

Kevin



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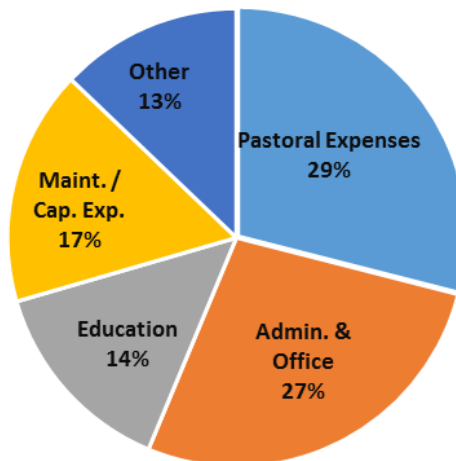
Income Breakdown - 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020



Ordinary Income - Offeratory:
\$853,646.12
Pastoral Income:
\$334,407.54
Other Income:
\$176,914.30

Total Income:
\$1,364,967.96

Expense Breakdown - 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020

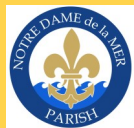


Pastoral Expenses:
\$405,917.07
Administration & Office:
\$382,530.40
Education:
\$199,407.14
Maint. / Capital Expense:
\$232,915.45
Other:
\$180,155.94

Total Expenses:
\$1,400,926.00

Notes:

Pastoral Expenses: Priests, Liturgical Supplies and Printings, Flowers, Music, Activities, Diocesan Assessments
Admin. & Office: Office Salaries, Supplies, Office Expenses, Benefits & Payroll, Building Insurances
Education: School Subsidy, Religious Education, Sacramental Preparation, Catholic Star Herald
Maint. / Capital Expenses: Building Utilities, Custodial, Grounds keeping, General Maintenance, Capital Projects
Other Expenses: Rectory Expense, Hispanic Ministry, Social Services, Church Universal Remittances
Ordinary Income: Ordinary Offertory, Electronic Giving, Holy Day Offertory
Pastoral Income: Candles, Bequests (restricted and unrestricted), Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Flowers, Activities, Fundraisers, Miscellaneous Revenue streams
Other Income: Religious Education Tuition, Social Services, Hispanic Ministry, Church Universal Collections



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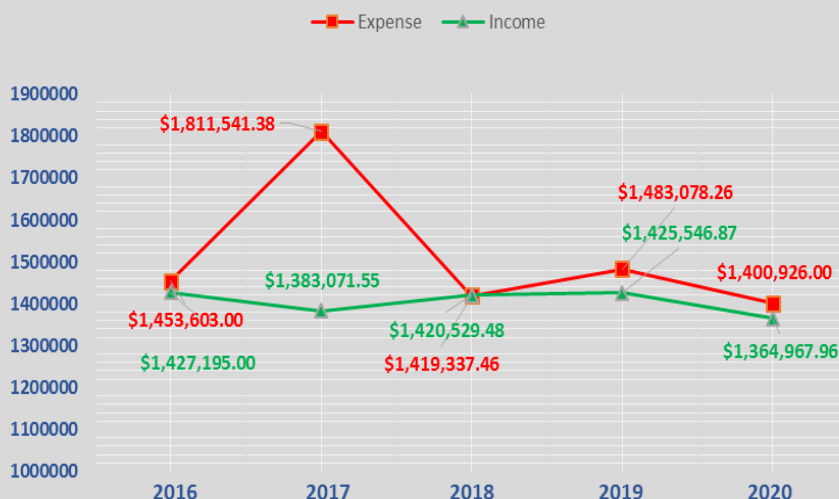
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Check Out Our Numbers:

(arrow shows compared to last year)

- 5154 Registered Parishioners ↑
- 2250 Registered Families ↑
- 19 New Families ↓
- 342 students in our schools ↓
- 215 students participated in our Religious Ed. program ↑
- 12 Marriages in our churches =
- 41 Baptisms ↓
- 42 First Holy Communion ↓
- 51 Funerals ↓
- 30 Altar Servers ↓
- 35 Lectors ↑
- 80 Eucharistic Ministers ↓
- 55 members—Music Ministry ↑
- 125 members—Forever Young ↑
- 8 regularly meeting prayer groups ↑

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*2017 spike in Expense was due to the convent demolition.

Total Church Utility Costs:

Electric:	\$16,948.97
Gas:	\$23,051.49
Water/Sewer:	\$7,4413.33
WiFi/Phone:	\$3,011.37
Grounds:	\$8,322.52
*includes all buildings	

Other Parish Building

Utility Costs

(Total Parish Responsibility)

Electric:	\$15,341.05
Gas:	\$13,653.85
Water/Sewer:	\$3,867.80
WiFi/Phone/Cable:	\$6,139.90

Offertory

- 447 families actively using envelopes
- 84 families actively using electronic giving

The use of envelopes and electronic giving help us to accurately plan our budget expenditures. We are especially grateful for all offertory gifts.

Catholic Strong Campaign:

Total Pledge - \$1,116,075 Over 5 years
Total Received to Date: approx. \$500,000

Diocesan Special Contributions

Many individual Diocesan special collections
 Mission Co-Op Collection
 Wildwood Catholic High School
 Cape Trinity Catholic School
 Lazarus House Ministries, Inc.
 Natural Disaster Relief Funds
 Support to our local Catholic Charities

Notre Dame de la Mer Parish Fundraising Activities Proceeds '19-'20

Music Ministry Dinner Cabaret, **July 2019: \$5,422.29**
 (Benefits the Parish)

Car Raffle, **Oct 2019: \$89,571.14**
 (Benefits Parish Support of Schools)

Christmas Concert: **Dec. 2019: \$1,550.12**
 (Benefits the Parish)

Annual Lenten Fish Fry: **Lent 2020: Cancelled (Covid 19)**
 (Benefits the Parish)